

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Date of Meeting: April 29, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Members Present: Lindman, Jacobson, Groat

Also Present: Wesolowski

In compliance with Chapter 19, Wisconsin Statutes, notice of this meeting was posted and received by the *Wausau Daily Herald* in the proper manner.

PUBLIC HEARING: 2019 Alley Paving Project

Alley bounded by Fleming Street, Weston Avenue, Emerson Street, and Fairmount Street

Lindman explained the purpose of the meeting is to take comments from property owners regarding special assessments. The comments received are forwarded to the Capital Improvements and Street Maintenance Committee which will meet May 15, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. and will approve, disapprove or direct changes in assessments for the project and forward a recommendation to the Common Council. It is anticipated the Common Council will take action at the May 28, 2019 meeting. There were no objections to dispense with the reading of the official hearing notice.

Lindman indicated the 2019 assessment rate is estimated at \$14 per lineal foot. Lindman stated staff from the Engineering Department will be available after the public hearing if there are specific questions about individual properties or the work to be done under the project.

Wesolowski stated if the project is approved, the process is quick. The contractor will come in and cut down the alley to the needed grade. Base course will then be installed and the alley paved. There are several driveways off the alley that the contractor would match into. A small amount of clearing and grubbing would take place along the east side of the alley.

Lindman asked for persons in attendance who wished to speak regarding special assessments to come to the podium and give their name, address and comments.

Janet Schoenfeldt, 1809 Fairmount Street, stated she is in favor of the project and hopes it goes through this year. Her neighbor does have a concern about the grade of the alley and water drainage.

Elisabeth Atwell, 1805 Fairmount Street, appeared in favor of the project as the alley is in bad condition. Crews came in last fall to grade it and place heavier gravel. In about a month the alley was already well potted. Her main purpose for appearing is not only to say she approves of this, but she is also concerned about water running into the garages. There are four garages lining the west side where water goes into the driveways during thawing. On the east side there are also four garages but they are set back 10 feet to 20 feet. She is wondering if the grade can be adjusted so the water drains away from the garages that directly abut the alley.

There were no further comments offered and the public hearing was closed.

Groat moved to adjourn the meeting. Jacobson seconded. Meeting adjourned at approximately 4:05 p.m.